BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2005-359-C - ORDER NO. 2005-683

DECEMBER 6, 2005

IN RE:	Request of Palmetto Rural Telephone)	ORDER
	Cooperative, Inc. and Palmetto Telephone)	GRANTING REQUEST
	Communications, LLC for Permission to)	
	Allow Free Local Service for the Month of)	
	December, 2005.	Ś	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the requests of Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative, Incorporated and Palmetto Telephone Communications, LLC (together, the two companies) to allow free local service for the month of December, 2005. The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) does not oppose the approval of the requests; however, it does offer certain qualifications. ORS requests that the two entities' revenues for the month of December, 2005 be imputed in any rate or earning proceedings which would involve the month of December, 2005. Further, ORS asks that the companies be required to report foregone revenues in calculating the companies' obligation to the universal service fund and that the companies report any foregone intrastate revenues in reporting of gross receipts.

The request of the two companies is granted. However, the qualifications suggested by ORS are also imposed. The two entities' revenues shall be imputed in any rate or earning proceedings which would involve the month of December, 2005. Further, the companies shall be required to report foregone revenues in calculating their obligation

to the universal service fund. Also, the companies shall report any foregone intrastate revenues in the reporting of gross receipts.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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